

## **United States Department of the Interior**

## BUREAU OF OCEAN ENERGY MANAGEMENT

Gulf of Mexico OCS Region 1201 Elmwood Park Boulevard New Orleans, LA 70123 2394

In Reply Refer To: GM 274E September 12, 2013

Ms. Connie Goers Arena Offshore, LP 4200 Research Forest Drive Suite 230 The Woodlands, Texas 77381

Dear Ms. Goers:

Reference is made to the following plan:

Control No. N-09691

Type Initial Development Operations Coordination Document

Received February 4, 2013, amended February 27, March 12, May 22 and

30, and July 24, 2013

Lease(s) OCS-G 34308, Block 324, Eugene Island Area

OCS-G 34309, Block 325, Eugene Island Area

You are hereby notified that the approval of the subject plan has been granted as of September 12, 2013, in accordance with 30 CFR 550.270(b)(1).

This approval includes the proposed activities for Wells A, B, C, and D.

You must comply with the following species protective measures in all activities conducted pursuant to the plan:

- Joint Notice to Lessees and Operators (NTL) No. 2012-G01, "Vessel Strike Avoidance and Injured/Dead Protected Species Reporting" (available at <a href="http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G01-pdf.aspx">http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G01-pdf.aspx</a>);
- Joint NTL No. 2012-G02, "Implementation of Seismic Survey Mitigation Measures and Protected Species Observer Program" available at <a href="http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G02-pdf.aspx">http://www.boem.gov/Regulations/Notices-To-Lessees/2012/2012-JOINT-G02-pdf.aspx</a>); and
- NTL No. 2012-BSEE-G01, "Marine Trash and Debris Awareness and Elimination" (available at < <a href="http://www.bsee.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Notices-to-Lessees/2012/2012-BSEE-G01-pdf.aspx">http://www.bsee.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Notices-to-Lessees/2012/2012-BSEE-G01-pdf.aspx</a>).

These measures are designed to promote environmental protection, consistent environmental policy, compliance with environmental laws, and safety.

Exercise caution while drilling due to indications of possible shallow gas in (Wells A-D) and faulting in (Wells B-C).

In response to the request accompanying your plan for a hydrogen sulfide ( $H_2S$ ) classification, the area in which the proposed drilling operations are to be conducted is hereby classified, in accordance with 30 CFR 250.490(c), as " $H_2S$  absent."

If you have any questions or comments concerning this approval, please contact Ulunma Nwokeafor at (504)736-1720.

Sincerely,

James Webb Digitally signed by James Webb DN: cn=James Webb, o, ou, email=james.webb@boem.gov, c=US Date: 2013.09.12 17:12:24 -05'00'

for Robert Sebastian Regional Supervisor

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